



KAHAROA SCHOOL NEWSLETTER

Term 2 - 3 June 2026



Mid Year Reports and Interviews

Later this term we will be sending home reports and holding parent interviews. Reports will look a little different this year as schools adapt to the Ministry of Education's updated reporting requirements and the refreshed English and Mathematics curriculum areas.

The Ministry's guidance sets out new progress markers and descriptors, and reports are expected to include specific goals for students in reading, writing and maths, and attendance information.

Kaharoa School is working through these **changes using the report layout provided to us**. This means the format, language, and sections of the report may feel different to previous years. You may notice more white space and shorter comments focused on reading, writing and maths. Below is some information to help explain the new progress descriptors and what they mean for your child's learning at school.

Progress descriptor	Emerging	Developing	Consolidating	Proficient	Exceeding
Mid-year reporting	Not yet on track to meet expectations		On track to meet expectations		
End of year reporting	Has not met expectations			Has met expectations	

Progress Descriptor	
1	<p>Emerging</p> <p>Students require support to meet curriculum expectations for their year level and/or goals as described in their personalised learning plan.</p>
2	<p>Developing</p> <p>Students are making some progress towards curriculum expectations for their year level.</p>
3	<p>Consolidating</p> <p>Students are meeting many curriculum expectations for their year level and are steadily</p>
5	<p>Exceeding</p> <p>Students are exceeding curriculum expectations for their year level.</p>

While academic progress is important, we know that learning is about more than a one word progress descriptor on a report. Learning grows over time through effort, attitude, resilience, curiosity, and the dispositions students bring to their work each day.

Alongside academic progress and achievement, we are focused on growing the Kaharoa School values and our wider graduate profile with a focus on Learning/Ako, Care/Manaaki, Leadership/Rangatira and Guardian/Kaitiaki. We want our students to be "can do" learners who step up, contribute, and keep growing towards Their Best Always.

Example:

Reading	Rachel Smith, Mid-year report				
	Years 1-4				
	Emerging	Developing	Consolidating	Proficient	Exceeding
Year 1			mid year → end year		
Year 2		mid year → end year			
Year 3			mid year → end year		
Year 4			mid year		

To the left you will see the MOE example of what part of the **new reports might look like** over multiple years. However, with these new progress descriptors only starting in 2026 we only have one mid year progress point to share so far and so school reports will appear very empty compared to this 4 year cumulative example for Rachel Smith.

You can also anticipate the **short general comment** in this report will link back to our Term 1 focus on effort, learning dispositions, and the way each student is engaging with their learning. Parent interviews will be an important opportunity to talk more fully about this and your child's progress, next steps, and how we can continue working together. As always, the partnership between home and school is important. Teachers see your child as a learner in the classroom, and you know them deeply as a whole person. Together, we can support each child to keep growing in their learning both academically, and with their character and learning dispositions.

Broad View of Education

Let's circle back to the wider purpose of education. Yes, academic learning is important - reading, writing and maths matter, and we continue to strengthen these areas. But education is also more than that. Our goal is to grow the whole learner: students who can think deeply, apply their learning, work well with others, and develop a strong sense of who they are and how they contribute. Below are four broad areas we consider important:

Learning to Know: Acquiring knowledge, understanding, and cognitive skills (thinking, critical analysis).

Learning to Do: Developing practical skills, applying knowledge, initiative, and teamwork.

Learning to Live Together: Fostering empathy, respect for diversity, conflict resolution, & community engagement.

Learning to Be: Holistic personal development, self-awareness, values, and sense of purpose.

School Notices:

UPDATE: Last day of Scrap Metal Collection extended

Please have all items dropped off in the designated area of the carpark by 3pm, Monday 8 June.

Kaharoa School & Rural Inter-school Cross Country

>> **Postponed: Now being held on Monday, 8 June**

An email with information about the cross country was sent to all families on 2 June.

With other schools in the area attending to compete, it is a great opportunity to fundraise so we will be running a **sausage sizzle and bake sale** at the event. Cash sales only. Funds raised will go towards supporting our Sports Camp team.

If you are interested in becoming a **sponsor of medals** for our annual Cross Country Run, please follow this link: [Kaharoa Cross Country Sponsorship](#)

Kaharoa Cull

The PTA are running their Kaharoa Cull again this year! Get your team together and register via our website below, where you will also find further information about the event together with competition and safety rules. [Kaharoa Cull 2026](#)

Positive Puberty Plus - Whānau Information Session

The programme will run on 17 June with our year 5-8 students

>> **A reminder that parents and caregivers are invited to the Whānau Information session being held on Thursday, 11 June at 6pm via Zoom.**

[Zoom link to the Information session](#)

Community Notices:

See the "Local Events" page on our website for events and opportunities being offered in our community. This might be one-off events, after-school activities, sports, or clubs and groups meeting. Most recent additions include;

- MIGS July School Holiday Programme
- PTA Events (Scrap Metal Collection & Kaharoa Cull)

What's on?

Until 8 June

Scrap Metal Collection

Now closes 3pm, Monday 8 June

NOW 8 June

Kaharoa & Rural Inter-school Cross Country

11 June

Positive Puberty Plus Parent/Whānau Information Session, 6pm via Zoom (Year 5-8 Students)

17 June

Positive Puberty Plus Programme Year 5-8 Students

22 June

Kaharoa School Board Meeting, 5:30pm in Boardroom Parents & caregivers welcome.

24 June

Mid-year Reports due home

26-28 June

Kaharoa Cull

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